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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Norikazu MIZUNO et al

Serial No: 09/670,917

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE
MANUFACTURING METHOD AND
APPARATUS FOR REMOVING SILICON
NITRIDE FORMED IN A REACTION
CONTAINER (AS AMENDED)

Art Unit: 2822

Examiner: M. R. Guerrero

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136, Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a three-month extension of time extending to December 4, 2003, the period for response to the Office Action dated June 4, 2003. Please charge the fee of \$950 for this extension to Deposit Account No. 50-1314. The responsive paper(s) are attached.

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